



THE MONTGOMERY ACADEMY

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SCHOOL PROFILE 2024-2025

John McWilliams

Head of School

The Montgomery Academy is an independent, co-educational, nonsectarian day school for students in kindergarten through the 12th grade. Enrolling approximately 660 students, The Montgomery Academy offers a well-rounded college preparatory academic program in three divisions (Lower School, Middle School and Upper School) on two campuses: the Hill Campus (K-4) and the Vaughn Road Campus (5-12). Through the school's Honor Code and community service offerings, the Academy strives to build personal integrity, character and leadership skills in every student.

Connie Deal

Upper School Director

Mandy Poundstone

*Director of
College Advising &
Upper School Counselor*

The faculty at The Montgomery Academy has consistently demonstrated noteworthy expertise in individual academic fields and represents a diverse array of scholars from all regions of the United States and from several countries. The faculty currently consists of graduates of many of the nation's finest colleges and graduate programs, earning honors such as Fulbright Seminar scholarships. The professional staff consists of 112 men and women; 58 members of the administration and faculty hold advanced degrees.

Jay Rye

College Advisor

MISSION STATEMENT: The Montgomery Academy develops leaders committed to honor, scholarship, service and the pursuit of excellence.

Christine Watkins

College Advising Assistant

ACADEMIC PROGRAM: The school year is divided into two semesters with an examination period at the end of each semester. Grade report dates for 2024-2025 are in October, December, March, and May. The Montgomery Academy's curriculum is entirely college preparatory. Choosing from approximately 91 different Upper School courses in eight disciplines, students are required to carry at least five academic courses at all times. All senior courses must be passed to qualify for graduation.

Connie Johnson

Registrar

In 2024-2025, twenty-four Advanced Placement courses are offered in the Upper School. In 2023-2024, 73 percent of students enrolled in grades 9-12 and 79 percent of juniors took at least one AP exam. In May 2024, 364 exams were written with 78 percent scoring 3, 4 or 5; 48 percent were written scoring 4 or 5.

TRANSCRIPT: As a matter of school policy, students are not ranked. Each transcript reflects a cumulative grade average calculation (GAC) determined by the following method:

- Only courses taken at the Academy are used in determining a student's grade average.
- Numerical course grades are averaged to calculate a student's grade average. This mean is based on a 100-point scale with no grade exceeding 100.
- To acknowledge the added rigor of Honors and Advanced Placement courses, grades in these courses are weighted five points. This weighting is included in the grade reported on the transcript and in the calculation of a student's grade average (GAC).
- Successful remediation of a failed course will result in a course grade of 70 for grade average calculations. If a course is repeated, the average of the two course grades or a 70 will be recorded, whichever is higher.

REQUIRED 2025 GRADUATION CREDITS (23 UNITS)

English	4 units
Mathematics	3 units including Algebra II
History	3 units including Human Geography or AP Human Geography, The Modern World or AP World History, U.S. History or AP U.S. History
Science	3 units including Physics I, Biology, Chemistry
World Language	3 units of one language (Spanish, French or Latin)
Health & Physical Education	1 unit
Fine Arts	1 unit
Electives	5 units

*1 unit of Math or Science required during senior year. All units must be earned while in grades 9-12.
Except in the case of a transfer student, all required credits must be earned at the Academy or at an institution approved by the Division Director.*

GRADING SYSTEM AT THE ACADEMY

90-100	EXCELLENT
80-89	GOOD
70-79	SATISFACTORY
65-69	POOR*
Below 65	FAILURE

GRADE DISTRIBUTION CLASS OF 2025*

**As of June 2024 (through junior year)*

GAC	Students
90-100	46
80-89	26
70-79	0
below 70	0

**May not advance in the discipline without remediation or repeating the course*

Class of 2025 MEAN: 91

2021-2024 COURSES OF STUDY

ENGLISH

English I
English II
English III
English IV
English Literature & Composition–AP
English Language & Composition–AP
English Independent Study
Journalism

MATHEMATICS

Geometry
Algebra II–Regular, Honors
Pre-Calculus–Regular, Honors, AP
Calculus
Calculus AB–AP
Calculus BC–AP
Statistics–Regular, AP

SCIENCE

Astronomy
Biology–Regular, AP
Chemistry–Regular, Honors, AP
Physics I–Regular, Honors, AP
Anatomy I & II
Environmental Science–Regular, AP
Intro to Engineering
Engineering Disciplines

HISTORY

Human Geography–Regular, AP
The Modern World
World History–AP
U.S. History–Regular, AP
Government & Politics: U.S.–AP
Philosophy
Psychology
Introduction to Economics
Capstone Seminar–AP
Capstone Research–AP

WORLD LANGUAGES

French I, II, III, IV
French Language & Culture–AP
Spanish I, IV
Spanish II, III–Regular, Honors
Spanish Language–AP
Latin I, II, III, IV, V

FINE ARTS

Advanced Portfolio
Art History–AP
Ceramics I & II
Chorus
Color & Design
Computer Graphics & Design
Contemporary Drawing
Film Analysis
Improvisational Theater
Mixed Media Explorations
Mixed Media Foundations
Music Theory–Regular, AP
Painting I & II

Printmaking
Sculpture
Speech & Debate
Studio Art–AP
Theater in Performance
Theater in Production

TECHNOLOGY

Advanced Robotics
Intro to Technology
Computer Science Principles–AP
Computer Science A–AP
Robotics

**HEALTH &
PHYSICAL EDUCATION**
Health & Physical Education

OTHER ELECTIVES

Yearbook

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

2024-2025: One Semifinalist

2023-2024: One Finalist

2022-2023: Two Finalists

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCHOLAR AWARDS

2023-2024:	28 AP Scholars 14 AP Scholars with Honor 28 AP Scholars with Distinction 7 AP Capstone Diplomas 4 AP Seminar & Research Certificate
2022-2023:	31 AP Scholars 7 AP Scholars with Honor 20 AP Scholars with Distinction 11 AP Capstone Diplomas 1 AP Seminar & Research Certificate
2021-2022:	34 AP Scholars 13 AP Scholars with Honor 13 AP Scholars with Distinction 3 AP Capstone Diplomas

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (2024-2025)

Students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses are required to take the relevant AP exam.

Art History	French Language & Culture
Biology	Human Geography
Calculus AB	Physics 1
Calculus BC	Pre-Calculus
Capstone Seminar	Spanish Language & Culture
Capstone Research	Statistics
Chemistry	Studio Art: 2-D Design Portfolio
Computer Science A	Studio Art: 3-D Portfolio
Computer Science Principles	Studio Art: Drawing Portfolio
English Language & Composition	United States Government & Politics
English Literature & Composition	United States History
Environmental Science	World History

DISTRIBUTION OF JUNIOR YEAR UNWEIGHTED GRADES CLASS OF 2025

**Denotes semester based courses (All courses reflected have minimum enrollment of 2 Juniors)*

COURSE OF STUDY	100-90	89-80	79-70	< 69	COURSE OF STUDY	100-90	89-80	79-70	< 69
ENGLISH					WORLD LANGUAGE				
English III	17	22	1	0	French II	1	1	0	0
English Language & Composition, AP	19	11	0	0	French III	3	0	0	0
Journalism (Fall)	3	1	0	0	French IV	2	3	0	0
MATHEMATICS					ARTS				
Algebra II	1	0	1	0	*Advanced Portfolio	11	0	0	0
Pre-Calculus	10	17	8	0	*Ceramics	7	0	0	0
Pre-Calculus, AP	3	2	1	0	*Ceramics II	4	0	0	0
Calculus	9	2	4	0	*Chorus (Fall)	8	0	0	0
Calculus AB, AP	4	5	3	0	*Chorus (Spring)	9	0	0	0
SCIENCE					TECHNOLOGY				
Biology	35	9	8	0	Robotics (Spring)	6	1	0	0
Biology, AP	11	8	0	0	Computer Science Principles	2	0	0	0
Chemistry	0	1	1	0	*Intro to Technology (Fall)	2	0	0	0
Chemistry, Honors	2	1	0	0	ELECTIVE				
Chemistry, AP	3	1	0	0	Yearbook (Fall)	3	0	0	0
Physics 1, Honors	1	4	0	0	Yearbook (Spring)	2	0	0	0
Physics 1, AP	2	2	0	0					
Environmental Science, AP	4	6	0	0					
*Astronomy (Spring)	1	1	0	0					
Engineering Disciplines (Fall)	2	1	0	0					
Engineering Disciplines (Spring)	3	0	0	0					
HISTORY									
U.S. History	18	4	3	0					
U.S. History, AP	22	26	0	0					
*Intro to Economics	1	2	1	0					
Capstone Seminar, AP	3	1	0	0					
Capstone Research, AP	10	3	1	0					
Philosophy (Fall)	2	0	0	0					
Philosophy (Spring)	4	0	0	0					
Psychology	2	0	0	0					

COLLEGE MATRICULATION 2020-2024

Auburn University
Auburn University at Montgomery
Baylor University
Belmont University
Berry College
Boston College
The Citadel, Military College of South Carolina
Clemson University
College of Charleston
College of William & Mary
Columbia University
Creighton University
Dartmouth College
Duke University
Elon University
Emory University
Franklin University Switzerland
Furman University
Georgetown University
Georgia State University
Hampden-Sydney College
High Point University
Huntingdon College
Jacksonville State University
Johns Hopkins University
Louisiana State University
Michigan State University
Mississippi State University
Morgan State University
New York University
North Central College
Northeastern University
Rhodes College
Samford University
Sewanee: The University of the South
Smith College

Southern Methodist University
Southern Union State Community College
Tennessee State University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Troy University
Tulane University
Tuskegee University
United States Naval Academy
University of Alabama
University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of Alabama at Huntsville
University of Arkansas
University of Chicago
University of Colorado, Boulder
University of Georgia
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
University of Kentucky
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of Montevallo
University of North Alabama
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of Richmond
University of South Alabama
University of St. Andrews (Scotland)
University of Tennessee-Knoxville
University of Virginia
Utah Valley University
Vanderbilt University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Washington University in St. Louis
Wesleyan University
Wofford College

The Montgomery Academy admits students of every color, gender, national or ethnic origin, religion, sexual orientation, or other legally protected status to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

MEMBER



The Montgomery Academy is accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools and Cognia. It is a member of The College Board, Educational Records Bureau, School Scholarship Service, Southern Association for College Admission Counseling, the National Association for College Admission Counseling, Cum Laude Society, and the National Association of Independent Schools, Southern Association of Independent Schools, and Alabama Independent Schools Association.